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THE CITY OF WYOMING, MICHIGAN NEWSLETTER

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## Cars, Cars, Cars: 7th Annual Metro Cruise

The 7th annual Foremost Insurance 28<sup>th</sup> Street Metro Cruise will be held on August 26 and 27, 2011.

Hot rods, low riders, muscle cars, performance cars, classic cars, antiques and even motorcycles will cruise the 15 mile strip from Grandville to Cascade during this two day event presented by the Wyoming-Kentwood Area Chamber of Commerce.

"The Metro Cruise represents a chance for our local community to shine and enhance its reputation as a great place to live and do business," said Ken Malik, CEO and president of the Wyoming-Kentwood Area Chamber of Commerce. "Visitors from all over the state and the surrounding region experience the warm hospitality of our local citizens and businesses."

Along with observing automobile history, attendees can also enjoy a variety of activities sponsored by local businesses. Planned events include: a Classic Sock Hop Dance and Pin Up Girl Contest, NASCAR

Simulator, Swap Meet and Car Corral, Judged Car Show and Motor Build Stage and Dyno Challenge.

"Business support is critical to making the event bigger and better each year," said Malik. "It also represents a huge marketing opportunity for all the businesses in the Wyoming-Kentwood area. If a business could attract interest in just 1 percent of the estimated visitors that would represent 3000 new prospects."

On Saturday, the Wyoming Downtown Development Authority will once again offer free slushies at its booth.



## Businesses Needed for 8th Annual Pumpkin Path



The City of Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting its 8th annual Pumpkin Path on Saturday, October 8, 2011, at Lamar Park.

The Pumpkin Path was developed as an alternative to the usual Halloween parties that many groups put together. The Pumpkin Path provides Wyoming residents the opportunity to acquaint themselves with their neighborhood businesses and enjoy a fall evening with their families. Although costumes are optional, you will find many smiling faces dressed as their favorite hero, cartoon character or animal.

We are asking Wyoming businesses to "host" spots along the path at Lamar Park. All we require from "hosts" is that they provide a carved pumpkin for the walking path along with a coupon, goodie or toy to hand out to walkers. Last year we had approximately 2,500 children attend the event.

For more information contact the Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department at 616-530-3164.

MAYOR'S

## Message



With at least one full month of summer left, I hope everyone is taking full advantage of Wyoming's many outdoor activities, and I know we are all looking forward to Metro Cruise this month.

I would like to challenge each one of you to set a goal to be a part of Wyoming this summer. Thinking of different things I could do, I have begun trying to walk down every sidewalk in the city, with the intention of hitting all of them by years end. Hopefully I will see many of you out in your yards and, rest assured, I will come up and introduce myself.

Other ideas I'd suggest are to see how many parks you can get to or how many Wyoming restaurants you can patronize. I would appreciate you telling me if you tried one of these suggestions or what idea you came up with so I can share these great ways to enjoy our community with other residents.

Enjoy Wyoming!  
Mayor Jack Poll

**LIBRARY NEWS** ADULT BOOK CLUB - We have a friendly, informal discussion on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. August's book is *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot. SUMMER READING CLUB runs through Saturday, August 16. Kids, teens and adults each have their own club with fun and unique activities and contests. TAKE KATIE L. ON VACATION – Katie L. loves to travel the world. Contact the library or go to [www.kdl.org](http://www.kdl.org) to find out how to take Katie on vacation and show us your Katie L. photo. Check us out at [www.kdl.org](http://www.kdl.org).

**PARKS & RECREATION** CONCERTS IN THE PARK will offer its final two performances of the summer at Lamar Park. On August 2, The Good Libations will perform a cappella classics of the 50's and 60's, and on August 9, The Harmonica Traditions will share old standards and gospel music. Both concerts begin at 7 p.m.

**WYOMING SENIOR CENTER** Join the WSC at 5 p.m. on August 11 for the final SUMMER SUPPER. The entire dinner is provided for \$3 for FC members and \$4.50 for non-FC members. Attendees will need to bring their own table service. Pre-registration with the WSC is required by 5 p.m. the preceding Tuesday. REVERSE MENTORING will once again be provided by the Parks & Recreation Department's Teen Council. Stop by the WSC on August 15 from 1-4 p.m. for assistance with your cell phone, ipod, lap-top or other device. Pre-registration is required.

## Wyoming Senior Center Game Room Complete

Renovations to the Wyoming Senior Center game room were completed last month.

The renovation project adds more space to the game room, allowing for better mobility around the pool table area and a dedicated area for the Wii Gaming System. It also adds two television monitors, better room temperature control with new temperate windows and the facility is now wireless.

"Recreation facilities and programs provide the opportunity for people to be physically, mentally and socially active," said Mayor Jack Poll. "Recreation facilities and programs also improve our moods, reduce stress and enhance a sense of wellness for participants."

Since 1977, the WSC has served the leisure and recreation needs of those individuals 50 and older in Wyoming as well as surrounding communities.



## Teen Council Presents Film "The Blind Side"

The Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department's Teen Council will be showing "The Blind Side" at the Lamar Park Grandstand on Friday, August 12 at 9 p.m.

The free event is geared towards teens, ages 13-18, but families and adults are welcome as well. The film has a PG-13 rating.

"The Blind Side" tells the real life story of football player Michael Oher's rise out of homelessness and a troubled background to become a first round NFL draft pick. He is helped along the way by the Tuohy's who take him in, and slowly he becomes part of their family.

The film was nominated for the Best Picture of the Year Oscar Award in 2010, and Sandra Bullock won the Oscar Award that year for Best Performance by an Actress in a Leading Role for her portrayal of matriarch Leigh Anne Tuohy.

Popcorn, pizza and pop will be sold in the concession area by Teen Council members.

## Telephone Numbers

Mayor's Office .....	530-7227
City Manager.....	530-3173
City Clerk .....	530-7296
Police Department.....	530-7300
Fire Department .....	530-7250
Public Works .....	530-7260
Utilities .....	261-3550
Planning & Community	
Development.....	530-7258
Parks & Recreation.....	530-3164
Building Inspections.....	530-7285
Assessor .....	530-7231
District Court.....	257-9814
Treasurer .....	530-7280
Utility Billing .....	530-7389
Wyoming Senior Center.....	530-3190
Wyoming Public Library.....	647-3980

## Meetings

**City Council Meeting** | on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

**City Council Work Sessions** | on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

**Planning Commissions Meetings** | on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

**Zoning Board Of Appeals** | on the first and third Monday afternoons of the month at 1:30 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

**Parks & Recreation Commission** | on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the West Conf. room.

## Wyoming City Council

Jack Poll, Mayor

Sam Bolt, Mayor Pro tem,  
Councilmember-at-Large

Dan Burrill, Councilmember-at-Large

Kent Vanderwood, Councilmember-at-Large

Bill VerHulst, 1st Ward Councilmember

Richard K. Pastoor, 2nd Ward Councilmember

Joanne Voorhees, 3rd Ward Councilmember